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TEARS AND SMILES.

Have a tear for the wretched, a smile for the glad ;
For the worthy, applause ; an excuse for the bad ;
Some help for the needy, some pity for those
Who stray from the path where true happiness flows.

Have a laugh for the child in her play at thy feet ;
Have respect for the aged ; and pleasantly greet
The stranger that seeketh for shelter from thee ;
Have a covering to spare if he naked should be.

Have a hope in thy sorrow, a calm in thy joy ;
Have a work that is worthy thy life to employ ;
And, O, above all things on this side the sod,
Have peace with thy conscience, and peace with thy God.

A WEDDING THREE POSTPONED.

A Miss Georg, of Norwich, Ct., who recently died in Germany, whether she had gone to consummate a marriage with a young German nobleman, met with disappointments. All arrangements had been made for her immediate marriage on arrival, but upon the day fixed for the wedding, the young man was taken suddenly and dangerously ill, and the ceremony was postponed to a later day. For a week, he hovered between life and death, nursed by his devoted betrothed.

At length another day was set, and the invitations sent out ; but just prior to the services that were to unite them, a fire broke out and totally destroyed the fine residence that had been prepared by the young man. Again the wedding was put off, and the guests departed. The young man was then called away on business, and he left the following day, on horseback. It had been decided before his departure that the wedding day should be named by mail when his business would have been completed. This was done, and he started on his return trip in due time, another horse having been furnished. The excitement, however, proved too much for Miss Georg, and she was taken to her bed, instead of to the altar, on the day which had been chosen for the third time. The guests were assembling at the church, Miss Georg's illness being so sudden that word could not be sent to them by messenger, and were awaiting the bridal party. But the groom was delayed en route also, and while Miss Georg lay ill, he was pushing on to fulfill his contract, ignorant of her condition. When within sight of the house of his alliance, his horse became unmanageable and threw him to the ground, killing him instantly. His sad death was announced from the pulpit by the minister. It was suppressed, however, from Miss Georg, but she, too, growing rapidly worse, died four days later without knowing that her lover had preceded her.—[Exchange paper.]

Oklahoma is said to be filling up rapidly with a negro population, with intimations that a State is to be instituted and governed solely by that race, but that white people will not be excluded.

Garrett Murray, the principal witness against Leconey in the late trial, has obtained employment on a farm near Merchantville, as we are informed. Leconey pronounces him a great liar.

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Excessive Cigarette Smoking is compared to the opium habit by the Birmingham (Ala.) "Age;" but that paper thinks cigarette smoking the worse. It says there are eleven "cigarette fiends" confined in the local jail, and that they crave for the cigarette, becoming almost frantic when unable to procure it. "A cigar or pipe does them no good whatever. They will trade off anything in their possession, even a good shirt for a poor one, to obtain cigarettes." [Let the boys beware!]

A correspondent of a Boston paper, speaking of the difference in cigarettes, says, "those bought by our boys are quite another thing from those less injurious ones smoked by Cubans and South Americans that set the fashion. Wrappers, 'Warranted Rice Paper,' are proven to be ordinary paper whitened with arsenic. In the sixteen popular brands, with one exception, were found sufficient quantities of opium to create such a craving as could only be satisfied by an incessant use of cigarettes, or a resort to opium alone. We see many cases of paralysis, insomnia, insanity, unquestionably so produced, and the whole army of cigarette smokers show it in skin, weak eyes, and weaker manhood."

A writer on the subject of Labor, says, "We have too many laborers for the markets open to us to supply, and that so long as such discrepancy shall exist, labor organizations, no matter how powerful numerically, or how craftily directed, cannot maintain wages, for the needs of the man who has no employment and wants it, are a power greater than those of the man who has employment and wants more pay for it. This competition is one in which the latter cannot possibly stand. A supply of labor in excess of the demand, will always regulate by depression the rate of wages, tho' trades unions be directed with the wisdom of a Solomon to counteract its influence." Instead of attempting to regulate the matter by limitations as to apprentices, machinery, short time, etc., he says, "the solution is not there. What is needed, is the opening up of new markets."

Prosecutor Jenkins, who fainted while making his speech against Leconey, it has been announced, will soon take up the case of John Harding, who slew Henry Rawlings, near Haddonfield, on Feb. 5th, last. They were both black men, and from the accounts published at the time, it looked to us as if the murder was not intentional, but resulted from self-defence.

Since the above was in type we see it stated that the bill against John Harding for killing Rawlings, was ignored by the Grand Jury, at Camden, as it evidently was a case of self-defence.

Enamored swain—"For you, darling, I wad lay me down and dee." Practical maiden—"That sort of thing is clear out of date, Willie. What a girl wants now-a-days is a man who is willing to hustle for her."

"At the present time," says some one, "the only quackery to legislate against in our State is Homeopathy!" Yet the system seems to be growing and spreading, and preferred by a good part of the community.

A box of powdered borax should always be kept on the sink shelf. A little added to the water in which dishtowels are washed will help much to keep them clean, and also keep hands soft and smooth.

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Borough Commissioners meet in the Town Hall on the 1st Wedesday evening in each month. Visitors admitted.

The Womens' Christian Temperance Union of this town meets every Tuesday afternoon in Wilkins' Hall, at 3 o'clock.

At the Borough and Township Election, held at the Town Hall, on the 11th inst., the following named persons were elected to fill the different offices named. We were unable to give the results in our last No., as our paper was full before we received the returns. There were about 500 votes cast. The only difference in the tickets was, that Geo. T. Haines ran as an independent candidate for Assessor, and received 299 votes, whilst his opp. one, Mr. Tatam, of Collingswood, received 251 votes, giving Mr. Haines a majority of 42.

Justice of the Peace, John C. Asher. Jndg. of Election, T. Cooper Middleton. Inspectors, J. Morris Roberts, Henry M. Burrough. Township Clerk, William S. Hart. Assessor, George T. Haines. Collector, Charles S. Braddock, jr. Chosen Freeholder, Samuel Wood. Township Committee, John Stoy, 3 years. Surveyors of Highways, Alfred W. Clement, R. M. Molineaux. Commissioners of Appeal, John H. Lippincott, William H. Knox, Newberg C. Gill. Constables, Charles L. Macready, Lancelott Hill, Benjamin Avis. Township Physician, Dr. Wm. Jennings. Overseer of the Poor, Chs. L. Macready

"Haddonfield is blessed with a diminutive sheet [Basket, of course] that fortunately is published only semi-occasionally, whose editor, a genial and kindly old gentleman, is wandering in the darkness of a past century, and who does not think that good public schools, good streets and lights are a necessity to this progressive and enlightened age, and seems to consider it his solemn duty to show [mark, to show] those who are willing to labor for the public good, without reward except aces and a consciousness of well doing."

We copy the above from the "Post," Camden, which was handed to us by a friend. We do so for the purpose of showing that there are at least four distinct and palpable LIES contained in it, and that the writer is wandering in the mazes of ignorance or promulgating wilful falsehoods. We give him the benefit of ignorance, and advise him to go to school.

No. 1, consists in asserting that this diminutive sheet is issued only "semi-occasionally," whereas it is issued every other week just as promptly and regularly as the Post, or any other periodical, and has a large circulation in Haddonfield. No. 2. As to streets and sidewalks, ever since we lived in the town, now over a quarter of a century, we have contended for their improvement. No. 3. Good lights, for our streets we have invariably advocated, and now we are highly gratified to know we shall have them though the Electric Light Co. No. 4. The charge that we are not in favor of good public schools is on the same level of the frequent charge made against us as being opposed to education, which is equally false. This charge has resulted from our opposition to unnecessary and extravagant expenditures for school house buildings, furniture, etc. We have always favored a good common education for every child in the land. As to wandering in past ages, this charge will much better apply to the members of certain secret societies that affect to be built upon the antiquity of associations of the dark ages, beyond the last century, and their influence no doubt accounts for many queer things that takes place, both in Church and State.

The last clause is a little mixed, which states that we consider it our "solemn duty to show," etc.

We notice that some of the persons who sacrifice so much for the public good, are always very anxious to be placed in a position to make the sacrifice.

The annual Public School meeting was held in the School house on Tuesday evening, March 18. There was a full attendance, including some females. Joel S. Perkins acted as chairman, and Edw. S. Dewey, secretary. Wm. S. Hart read the proceedings of the last year, and Chas. Stevenson read the report of the Trustees.

The report of the proceedings as given in the Post, of March 19, entirely ignores the report of the Trustees, as read by Charles Stevenson. Why such omission?

All the appropriations called for, to pay teachers, interest, and for building purposes, amounting to \$7,500, were authorized. The Board of Trustees was enlarged from 3 to 5, by what was called a ballot vote, but was really a *viva voce* vote, the noisy element authorizing one man to cast the vote. Is that kind of voting lawful? If it is, it is very unsatisfactory. We are of the opinion, as many others are, that if a proper ballot vote had been taken, the result would have been different. At any rate, we should have known the relative strength of each party. As it now stands, we are in the dark. The whole thing looks like a "wet and dried" affair.

One gentleman, whom we did not recognize, rose in his place, and made a grand oratorical flourish in favor of a person he was about to nominate, enumerating his many qualifications and good works; that his light was dimmed a year ago, but it would be rekindled to shine more brilliantly than ever! We don't think it right to name the nominee, as his innate modesty must have been greatly strained by his friend's encomium, and we wouldn't increase the strain. It would be cruel. Bless the Lord, that we have some noble men still in the land, and, according to this orator, his nominee is one of them.

The election, really *viva voce*, resulted in favor of those who had been selected by the wire-pullers, there being no other candidates named, viz: Henry D. Moore, for 2 years; Wm. S. Samuels and Henry S. Scoovel each for 3 years. The latter, we learn, has been a resident of the town only a little over a year.

Adrian Paul withdrew from the contest, and a vote of thanks was passed in his favor for the performance of his duties as a trustee for several years past. It was reported that he was quite ill, at the home of L. Rowand.

An Election for Borough Commissioners will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 8th of April.

The new Methodist minister, Rev. Nomar J. Wright, took possession of the pulpit last Sunday, and preached. He seemed a little embarrassed in the morning service, but preached a rousing sermon in the evening. We trust that Rev. Mr. Wright is in the right place, and that he will be kindly received and properly sustained.

Rev. Mr. Cline goes to Hammonton.

Our Electric Lights were set a-going, for the first time, on Friday evening, March 14, and continue to shine, to the delight of all who want good lights—a great improvement on the old way.

Wm. S. Samuels was elected President of the Board of Trustees of the Public Schools, and Wm. S. Hart, secretary.

The C. W. T. U. had its third Anniversary in Wilkins' Hall on Monday evening last. Mrs. J. L. Downs, State President, and Rev. Mr. Lottick, of湍门, were the principal speakers. The room was crowded.

We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Sorver, wife of F. D. Sorver, formerly residents of our town. She died on Sunday, March 16, of pneumonia, following attack of the grippe. Buried at Chestnut Hill.

Jacob P. Fowler, a resident of Westmont, died March 12, in the 74th year of his age. Buried in Haddonfield.

Ex-Mayor Fox, of Philadelphia, died at Atlantic City, March 20.

Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, of the Baptist Church, preached for the Methodists on Sunday, 16th inst., the pastor being absent at Conference.

Mr. Hoy has been selected as Sexton of the Presbyterian Church, in place of Mr. Ellidge, resigned.

It was a "Sulking" Party at Wilkins' Hall, on Tuesday evening.

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